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Title: METHOD FOR IN VITRO PROLIFERATION OF DENDRITIC CELL PRECURSORS AND THEIR USE TO PRODUCE IMMUNOGENS

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Final Office Action in the above referenced case, dated **10 February 2005**, for which a response was due 10 May 2005. An amendment and a petition for a one month extension of time until 10 June 2005 was filed, but not entered, on 6 June 2005. Applicants request non-entry of the amendment submitted 6 June 2005. Please enter the present amendment. A Request for Continued Examination and a Petition for an Extension of Time of two months until 10 July 2005 is submitted herewith along with the required fees. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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